FISCAL NOTE

SB 3099 - HB 3876

March 24, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the definition of public nuisance and allows local governments to seize certain items that are declared nuisances. Authorizes the removal of buildings deemed to be a nuisance.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000/Permissive Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant/Permissive

Other Fiscal Impact – There will be an increase in state revenues equivalent to the increase in local government revenues. However, any such increase will be dependent upon local government decisions to confiscate items deemed to be nuisances. T.C.A. § 29-3-101 provides for the proceeds of any seizure to be split equally between the state general fund and the general fund of the local government where the seizure occurred.

Over time there may be an increase in property tax revenues to local governments if blighted areas are revitalized through improvements to real property that result from the provisions of this bill. The amount of such increase is not quantifiable but is estimated to be significant over time.

Assumptions:

- State and Local Govt. Revenues would increase in an amount exceeding \$100,000 each. The local government increase would be permissive and would be based upon the decision of local governments to declare certain properties nuisances. The state increase would be dependent on the decisions of local governments.
- There would be an increase in state and local government expenditures due to increased court costs. Such costs are estimated to be not significant and can be handled utilizing existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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